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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Examiner's Notice of Allowability which required a new oath or declaration to correct a typographical error on page 2 of the declaration filed April 30, 2001, a new Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified patent application is enclosed. It is respectfully requested that the enclosed Declaration/Power of Attorney be entered in the PTO file for this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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